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Applicant : Skolnick et al.

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Election/Restriction Requirement Office Action mailed March 05, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response to the Office Action was originally due June 05, 2003. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time to extend the time to reply to this Office Action for three months to September 5, 2003. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal letter, petition to extend time 3 months, and check;
- Postcard.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

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September 5, 2003

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